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Yau-mat...Dep.	6.50	9.24	10.39	12.09	1.24	4.44	5.34
Shatin...Dep.	7.02	9.36	10.51	12.21	1.36	4.56	5.46
Tai-po...Dep.	7.16	9.49	11.04	12.34	1.49	5.09	5.59
Tai-po Market...Dep.	7.31	9.59	11.14	12.44	1.59	5.24	6.14
Fanning...Dep.	7.43	10.07	11.18	12.48	2.07	5.34	6.24
Shung-shui...Dep.	7.56	10.07	11.22	12.52	2.07	5.38	6.28
Shum-chun...Arr.	7.42	10.13	11.28	12.58	2.13	5.34	6.29

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Yau-mat...Dep.	6.50	9.24	10.39	12.09	1.24	4.44	5.34
Shatin...Dep.	7.02	9.36	10.51	12.21	1.36	4.56	5.46
Tai-po...Dep.	7.16	9.49	11.04	12.34	1.49	5.09	5.59
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Shum-chun...Dep.	8.12	10.38	11.40	1.00	4.17	5.20	6.09
Shung-shui...Dep.	8.19	10.45	11.47	1.07	4.24	5.27	6.16
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Tai-po...Dep.	8.37	10.59	12.02	1.21	4.38	5.41	6.30
Tai-po Market...Dep.	8.52	11.04	12.07	1.32	4.42	5.45	6.34
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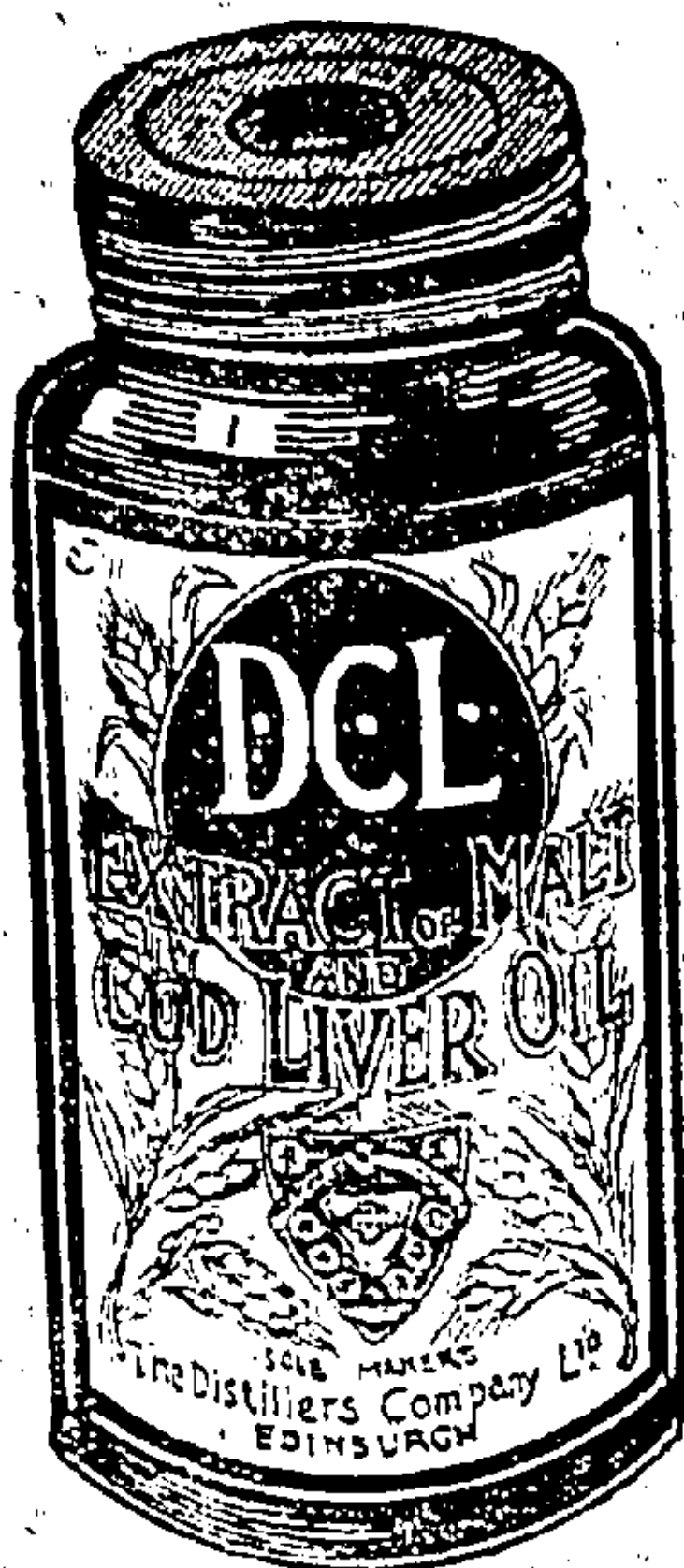
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### ALL-BLACKS' SECRET.

#### REAL IMPORTANCE OF UTILISING INTERVAL.

All who saw the All-Blacks defeat London went away wondering why the London team, after making such a fine fight for it in the first half, went down so badly in the second. The main reasons put forward were: (1) The London side was merely a scratch collection of individuals and not a team; (2) The Londoners were not nearly so physically fit as the All-Blacks.

There is much truth in both contentions, but one must look further for the explanation of defeat, thinks a Rugby International, who gives his views in the *Evening News*. A scratch side should by half-time be "getting together," he argues. And as to physical fitness, it is generally the last twenty minutes, not the first twenty of the second-half that count. The All-Blacks started the rout of London almost immediately after the interval.

In the match with Oxford the same sort of thing happened—level-pegging up to half-time, and then collapse, or something like it, in the opposition. Oxford are a team, not a scratch side, and there is no reason why they should not be every bit as fit as the All-Blacks. Thus the excuses made for London will not do for the Dark Blues.

#### HALF-TIME SCORES.

A close study of the half-time and full-time scores in the matches the All-Blacks have played—especially in the more strenuous games—is interesting:

Opponents.	H.T. Score.	Results.
Swansea	10-0	35-3
Newport	0-5	15-10
N. Midlands	14-3	44-3
Cheshire	3-0	18-5
Cumberland	0-0	41-0
Ireland	0-0	8-0
Northumberland	3-0	27-1
Cambridge	0-0	5-0
London	10-9	31-6
Oxford	11-10	33-15

In nearly all the above matches it would seem to have been anybody's game up to half-time, after that there was only one side in it. In their other matches the All-Blacks have invariably more than doubled their first-half scores after the interval.

Physical fitness and stamina account in part for the great scores in the second-half, but they do not explain the variable change which comes over the game immediately after the interval.

#### THE SECRET.

In the match against London, the All-Blacks retired to their dressing-room in the pavilion at half-time, while the Englishmen remained, as is customary on the field of play. The All-Blacks spend the interval in the warm dressing-room, and probably have a quick rub down by those members of the side who are not playing. Their opponents stand out in the cold for several minutes, while the muscles stiffening up, and whereas they take a little time to get into their stride again, the All-Blacks jumped into theirs from the kick-off.

Why should we not do the same thing? asks the *Evening News* writer. There is no reason other than custom—and the feeling that once the teams are in it might be difficult to get them out again sharply.

The real importance of the interval to the All-Blacks is that in the pavilion their manager, Mr. S. Dean, discusses the situation with the captain of the team. Mr. Dean is the chairman of the New Zealand Union, and has a very thorough knowledge of the game and its possibilities. Also he has a very great ability for finding joints in the armour of his opponents, and an aptitude for putting his own house in order.

#### TEAM CHANGES.

Against London this was particularly evident. He removed Parker, from the "rover" position to the right wing, whereupon Parker proceeded to score a couple of particularly fine tries. The change necessitated Svenson going into the centre, while McGregor was brought to the pivotal position at stand-off half, thus greatly adding to the effectiveness of Cooke and Nicholls, who concentrated on the weaker spots in the defence of the London team, namely, its left centre (Richardson) and its stand-off half (Lawton).

The effect of this accurate estimate of the state of affairs by the All-Blacks' manager was, as we know, very quickly demonstrated. But to be able to concentrate on the weakness of the opposition after it has been discovered needs teamwork of a fine order.

This theory of the All-Blacks' success after half-time is substantiated by the fact that before their team work had developed to its present state and before Mr. Dean had become thoroughly conversant with English players and their methods—the All-Blacks were unable to register such pronounced success after the interval.

#### THE ALL-BLACKS.

The All-Blacks play in the first half to keep their opponents well in hand, while their manager watches. In the second half the fireworks begin. To be suddenly 10 or 15 points down before the second half is in its stride is enough to "knock the stuffing out of" any side—especially if the side has been on more or less level terms with its opponents in the first half.

The part that fitness and stamina play is of the utmost importance in the All-Blacks' scheme of things. Fitness means that the mind acts at once, instead of a fraction of a second later when the opportunity is gone.

In defence there are always players to cover up, and an All-Black is always fit enough to get away—instead of taking a breather and hoping somebody else will make the effort.

In attack there are players on each side and behind to take advantage of the opening made; the attacking player is not left on his own in the hope that he will get through himself.

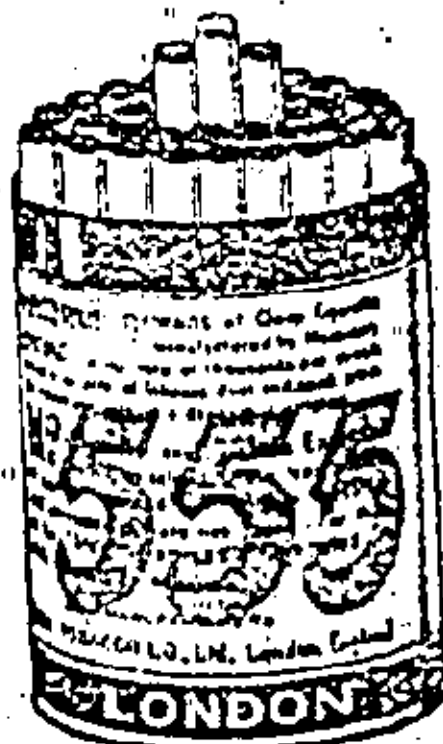
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Dr. C. L. Hewer, of York-terrace, who administered the anaesthetic, said that at first he gave ether and later gas and oxygen. The patient died after the operation has been in progress about 20 minutes.

Dr. J. M. Bronte, who made a "post-mortem" examination, said the body was perfectly healthy, the only abnormality being some foreign bodies in the right elbow joint, which would give rise to "tennis elbow." In his opinion death was due to heart failure resulting from a deficiency of oxygen in the blood, caused by the action of the anaesthetic.

According to one authority, he added, the reported and unreported deaths from laughing gas probably exceeded those from ether. Dr. Shipway, a well-known anaesthetist, had written that there was evidence that nitrous oxide and oxygen although in theory the ideal anaesthetic for those suffering from shock, was often the most dangerous of all anaesthetics in actual practice.

The Coroner said he should think that laughing gas was used in a much greater number of cases than any other anaesthetic.

Dr. Bronte, in reply, said that for minor operations, such as dentists performed, it was perfectly safe. It was when an attempt was made to give it for any length of time that danger arose.

The Coroner recorded a verdict of death by misadventure.

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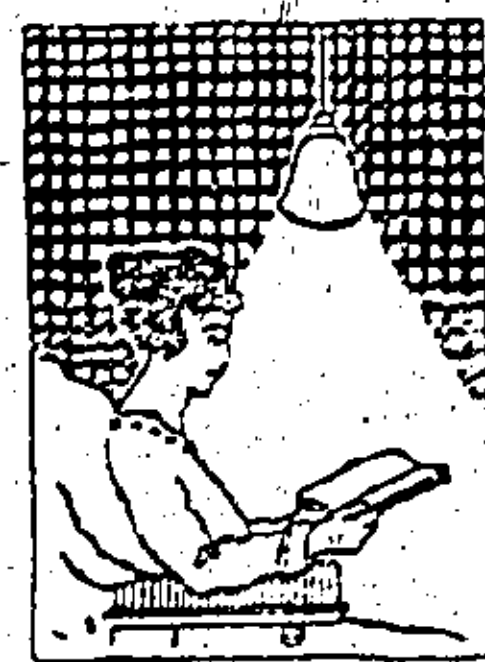
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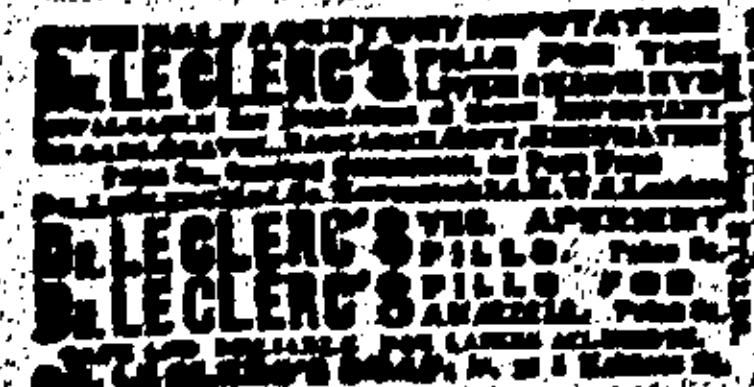


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## WEEKLY SHARE REPORT.

HONGKONG, January 16th.

The market has continued active during the week, resulting in a large volume of business. There was a temporary spell of weakness in a few instances, but this did not last and prices have since hardened.

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have again been dealt in at \$1.20, but close with sellers at this rate. The latest cable quotation from London is £100 (middle). A final dividend of £1 and Bonus of £2 per share has just been declared.

Marine & Fire Insurances.—Unions have changed hands at \$261/302. Yangtzes have been booked at \$41 and more shares are wanted at the rate. China Fires are enquired for at \$130 and Underwriters at \$73.40. Cantons at \$73 and Hongkong Fire at \$715 have lapsed to nominal quotations.

Shipping.—"Star" Ferries after sales at \$1351 receded to \$130, but have recovered to \$1371 at the close. Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamships have been firmer with business done up to \$381. Douglas Steamships are enquired for at \$47 and Tuna and Lighters at \$4, including the Call of \$2 paid last week. Union Waterboats are unchanged at \$181.

Refineries.—China Sugars have further declined with sales made down to \$82. Malabons at \$41 have not moved.

Oils and Mining.—Shell Transports continue in demand at \$8/- Langkats (Combined) can be placed at \$12. Shanghai Loans have declared a dividend of Tls. 0.60 for the year ending 31st December, 1924. The Company will place Tls. 25,000 to General Reserve, leaving a balance of Tls. 19,438 to be carried forward. Benquets have eased to \$2.60, at which rate there are buyers.

Electric Companies.—Hongkong Tramways fell away in the beginning of the week to \$521, but have since strengthened and sales have been made at \$531. China Lights (Combined) are asked for at \$251.

Docks, Wharves & Godowns.—Hongkong & Kowloon Wharves after being bought at the outset at \$212 dropped to \$203, but the market closes with a firm undertone and business has been done at \$211. Hongkong & Whampoa Docks after having eased to \$148 have suddenly come into demand with buyers at \$153. Hongkong Wharves are wanted at Tls. 210. New Engineerings are on offer at Tls. 71. Shanghai Docks stand at the nominal quotation of Tls. 1061.

Land, Hotels and Buildings.—Deals were made in Hongkong Lands at \$107, but on the announcement of the final dividend of \$2 and Bonus of \$2.50, the market responded and there was a recovery in the price to \$1001. Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels have remained steady at \$121 for the Old, while the New shares have been placed on a fair scale forward on the basis of \$17.35. Humphreys Estates have moved up to \$221. Realities closed dull at \$2.50.

Cotton Mills.—Ewos have fluctuated between Tls. 127/129. Orientals have been put through locally at Tls. 4.90 and continue in request. Shanghai Cottons (Old) at Tls. 611 and (New) at Tls. 33 are wanted at quotations.

Miscellaneous.—Green Island Cements (Combined) have again been the medium of a considerable business at \$281/281. China Providents are in favour and there are buyers of the Combined at \$391. The Old shares have buyers at \$101, and the New, on which the Call of \$2.50 was paid yesterday, are enquired for at \$9. Dairy Farms have declined to \$261. Constructions are wanted at \$7.50 and probably a little more would be paid. Lane Crawford's have appreciated to \$18.60. Watsons (Old) have been taken off the market at \$221, while the New shares are in demand at \$131.

Exchange.—The T.T. rate on London to-day is 2/4, and on Shanghai 731.

Forward Settlement Days.—20th January (Tuesday); 24th February (Tuesday); 24th March (Tuesday) and 25th April (Tuesday).

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## SAIGON RICE MARKET.

Messrs. Wm. G. Hale & Co., Ltd. of Saigon, in their circular dated January 2nd, say:—

The decline in prices referred to in our report has been accentuated on account of the poor demand from everywhere. Only a few transactions were effected with Japan for new crop delivery February to April, while no business whatever was done to France & Europe. Furthermore reports from Hongkong state that owing to good autumn being expected in the Wuhan Province, Chinese requirements in foreign rice would be very small. Prices have not changed during the last days and market closes steady.

Stocks of old paddy in Cholon are very small and holders are asking very high prices. Stocks still remaining inland are estimated at about 30,000 tons.

New Crop.—The quantities available for export are generally assumed to be about 1,300,000 tons.

The Compagnie de Commerce et de Navigation d'Extreme-Orient, say:—

Our market has continued to decline since our last mail. Some sales have been concluded with Japan but these have had no effect on the market. The demand is trifling from Europe as well as from other countries. Paddy arrivals of the old crop are of no importance and paddy of the new crop is arriving by small parcels. The total amount of rice exported from 1st January to 20th November is 1,063,730 tons against 1,108,286 in 1923. We quote to-day white Saigon rice No 2 sifted, Japan quality, Hongkong \$9.65 per picul L.O.B. Saigon.



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## CINEMA NOTES.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

"Beyond the Rocks" the Paramount picture starring Gloria Swanson is showing at the Queen's Theatre during this week. A notable feature is the perfect dancing of Gloria Swanson, and Rodolph Valentino.

THE CORONET.

Says the Literary Review: "Cytherea" confirms a judgment long held that Mr. Hergesheimer is one of the most skillful craftsmen in English in our day. He is one of the most honest analysts of a situation; one of the most fearless practitioners of that transmutation of obscure emotion into the visible detail of dress, habit, expression, which is the real technique of the novelist.

"Cytherea" is the name of a doll symbolically used by Joseph Hergesheimer in his novel, and it is the name of the photoplay directed by George Fitzmaurice for First National distribution. The picture is now being shown at the Coronet, where it has earned a large meed of appreciation. The keynote of the picture is that romance is no respecter of persons. The victim of romance is Lee Randon (played by Lewis S. Stone), a married business man, whom none of his friends suspect as the possessor of a spirit that stirs to the call of Spring and love. His wife, Fanny (Irene Rich), is more responsive to the call of housekeeping, to which so many women even in Hongkong (in spite of Chinese servants) make themselves martyrs. The result is that when Lee meets the ideal of his dreams, he finds himself helpless in the grasp of romance. The denouement of this situation is one of the most powerful that has ever been seen on the screen. The manner in which this strange love tangle is solved sounds a ringing moral. See "Cytherea" and beautiful Cuba at the Coronet to-day. You won't mind if the weather is cold and wet.

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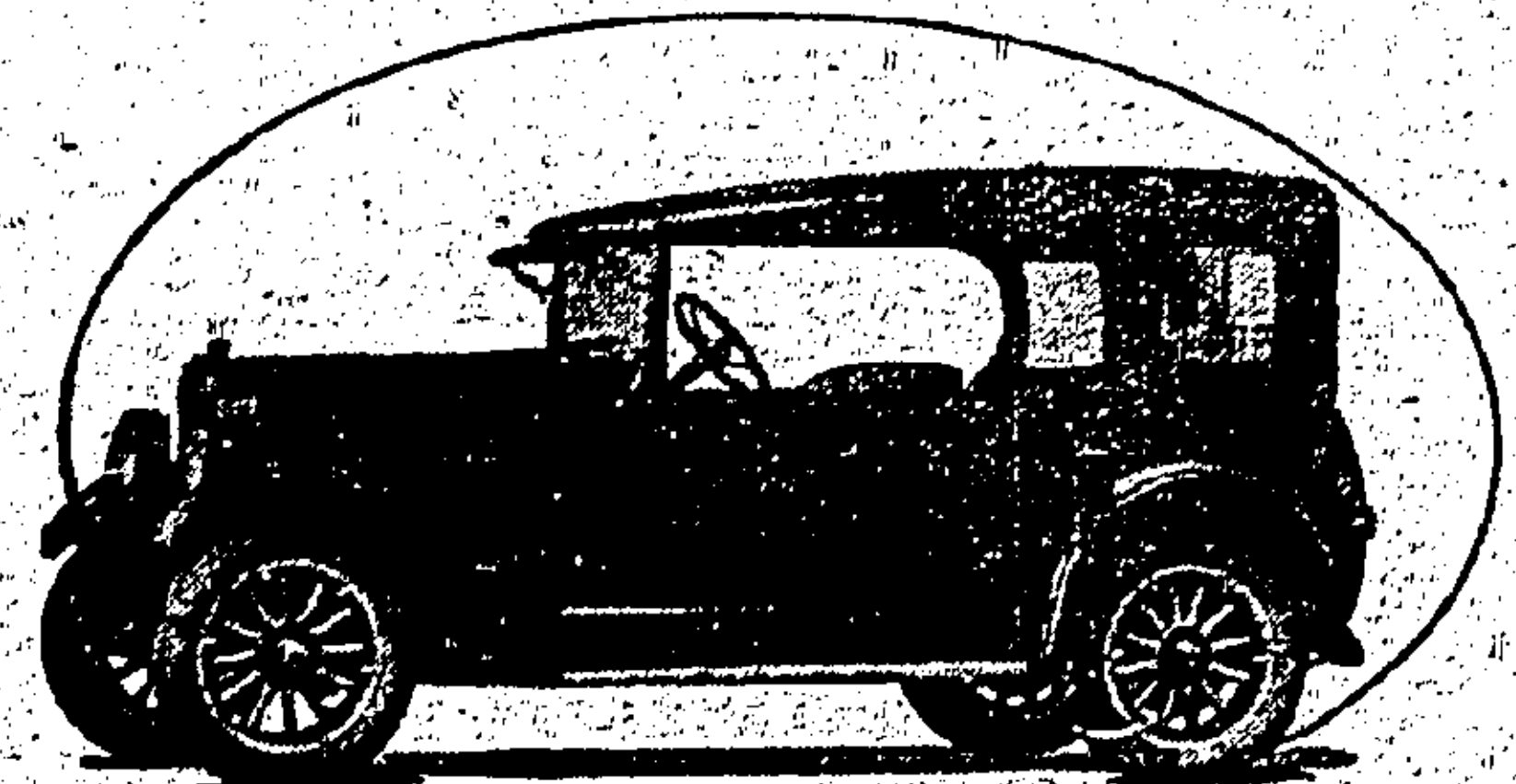
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## ELLIS KADOORIE SCHOOL.

PRIZES PRESENTED BY MRS. R. E. O. BIRD.

## SPEECH BY SIR CLAUD SEVERN.

HEADMASTER'S IMPENDING RETIREMENT.

Mrs. R. E. O. Bird presented the prizes yesterday at the Ellis Kadoorie School, when more than 700 students were present. Among those present were Sir Claud and Lady Severn, Lady Gibb, Mr. E. Talphs and Mr. F. J. de Rome.

Mr. R. E. O. Bird, the Headmaster, read his annual report as follows:—

The school year terminated at the end of last November when the whole school was examined in every subject. The results of the examination were satisfactory. All the "A" divisions did very well and all divisions did well. Class 4A was handicapped by the absence of Mr. Mycock who was in hospital for three months. I am glad to say he has now recovered from his three operations.

In March, Mr. Cheng Kai in resigned. He had been with us for many years, having served under Mr. Braithwaite before the school was taken over by Government in 1915. His services were very great. He was librarian here for many years and took a great interest in making the library a great interest. He has very kindly donated to the school the two boards which we see at the back of the hall and which contain much good advice for the benefit of the scholars. His duties as Librarian have been taken over by Mr. Lo Ki San.

We were pleased to have Mr. Mok Lu Nam, one of our old boys, appointed as a teacher in April. He has lately taken over the duties of Sportsmaster from Mr. Cheung Wai Lai.

In June, Mr. Yik Kai Cheong and Mr. Lo Wai Kwan came to us from the Hongkong University and are both doing good work here.

Mrs. Holland, Miss Kennedy and Miss Lewis have come and gone.

In September, Miss Hall was transferred to Kowloon British School. She had been with us since October 1921 and has been in entire charge of the drawing. Her teaching was producing very good results. Her removal was a great loss to the Art side of the School as all drawing lessons have now ceased.

The Vernacular side has been under the supervision of Mr. Lau Tsai. Model lessons have been given in the Hall by vernacular teachers every Wednesday morning with satisfactory results. Out of 672 examined in Chinese 524 passed and 148 failed.

The maximum enrolment for the year was 747 and the total number on the registers during 1924 was 864.

In sports we have won the Junior Basketball League and the Small Boys Volley Ball League.

The Scouts, under Scoutmaster Lam Kwan Shan and Assistant Scoutmasters Lo Po Sham and Leung Kim Shu, have been very energetic during the year. They now number 38 and are always to the fore at keeping order and helping in any ceremony. They went into camp twice during this year, gave life-saving demonstrations in July at Kennedy Town and North Point and helped in the Flood Relief processions and bazaar. Sir Henry Gollan has very kindly consented to become their President.

On the National Holiday, October 10th, the school hired the World Theatre and gave a concert there before a packed audience which greatly appreciated every item. The arrangements were all made by the boys and everything was very smoothly and creditably carried out.

We had a number of swimming excursions, but we were unfortunate in the weather allotted to us. However, thanks to the three days' swimming campaign at the Y.M.C.A. in which every non-swimmer took part, and to the other facilities given them the vast majority of the boys can swim and some of them very well.

Mrs. Hewer has continued her singing lessons with the lower classes and I am of opinion the boys who learn singing get a better pronunciation than those who do not. Whenever we have any small function, singing is an appreciated item on the programme.

We concluded the school year with a walk from Kowloon City to Shatin which was successfully accomplished by 450 of us.

Addressing Sir Claud Severn, Mr. Bird said:—

"We beg to thank Lady Severn and yourself for so kindly coming here to-day. You have been present at every prize-giving and your interest in the school has been a great compliment and stimulus to the boys. This year 48 boys competed for the prizes you have given and 295 drawings and paintings were handed in."

"This is the first time that Mrs. Bird has appeared on this platform, he continued. If you are as pleased to see her here as I am, you will share my regret that this is the last prize-giving she will attend here. I am afraid I shall be to blame for that. However, we shall both of us watch with interest the progress of the School and shall be delighted to hear of its continued prosperity which I hope and believe will be great."

"I thank the staff for the way in which they have carried out their duties. I am pleased to say that during the many years I have been here, I have always had their ready and willing support."

"I beg to thank the Committee of the Po Loung Kuk, Sir Robert Ho Tung, Mr. Kwok Yu Ping, Mr. Cheng Kai in, Messrs. Chung Sun and the Commercial Press for donations to the Prize Fund."

(Continued on next column).

## TRADE MARKS ACTION.

MERCHANTS' MANAGER FINED.

Before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Central Magistracy yesterday, the manager of the Hong Cheong Shing Company, foreign goods merchants, was summoned at the instance of Messrs. Harry Wickings & Co. for an infringement of the Trade Marks Act.

Mr. M. J. D. Stephens, for the prosecution, told the Magistrate that the defendant sold a half-lotion bearing a label which closely resembled that of Messrs. Atkinson of London, for whom Messrs. Harry Wickings & Co. were the local agents.

After the defendant had given evidence, a wholesale trader of Jervois Street stated in the witness-box that the defendant's firm were customers of his. The sale of the goods which formed the subject of the present action was made by one of the witness's firms. Witness obtained the goods from Japan. He had no reason to suppose that they were a colourable imitation of similar goods trademarked in Hongkong.

Mr. D. McCullum, defending, submitted that the defendant had bought the lotion in good faith. He was Chinese, and the goods were labelled in English. The defendant, said Mr. McCullum, had no illegal intention or guilty knowledge in buying them.

His Worship decided to convict, and imposed a fine of \$50 on the defendant, and ordered him in addition to pay \$75 costs.

## UNFAITHFUL SERVANT.

STEALS FROM HIS FIRM AND GOES TO GAOL.

Police officers conducting investigations in connection with the recent extensive robbery at Messrs. Whiteway, Laidlaw & Co.'s made a raid some days on the house of one of the firm's Chinese employees.

They found none of the property stolen during the burglary, but came upon several articles belonging to the firm which the employee had stolen at other times.

The sequel was heard at the Central Magistracy yesterday, when the man was charged before Mr. N. L. Smith with the theft of one raincoat, a cardigan jacket, a pipe and a safety-razor. The defendant protested that he bought the cardigan from the Sincere Company, and that he obtained the other things on payment from his own firm. The former statement was refuted by a member of the Sincere Company's staff, who testified that his firm had not sold cardigans of the kind in question for some years.

The defendant was sent to prison with hard labour for three weeks.

## SIR CLAUD SEVERN'S ADDRESS.

In a happy little speech, Sir Claud Severn said he was sure that they all were very pleased to have Mrs. Bird with them to make the presentation of prizes. Sir Claud referred to a statement made by Mr. Bird that it would be the last time that Mrs. Bird would be seen on the platform, but he was sure that no old resident of the Colony who had seen its development would be content to stay in England, and not return occasionally to see how that progress was continuing. He felt sure that at some time they would see both Mr. and Mrs. Bird on that platform again. (Applause.) Ever since the School was taken over by the Government it had been his pleasure to attend the ceremony on prize-day (applause)—and he always looked forward to the occasion. Sir Claud then referred to the general work of the school and said he was pleased to note that the Scout movement was going ahead, and he hoped that their efforts would be continued under their new President, Sir Henry Gollan. With regard to the art prizes there were two exceedingly fine water colours, and he had no hesitation in awarding the first prize to Fung Cheung Wing. (Applause.) With reference to the impending retirement of Mr. Bird, he could only congratulate him on the work of the school during the past ten years. But at the same time he regretted that Mr. Bird was going.

Mrs. Bird then presented the prizes, and the students gave her three hearty cheers.

## THE PRIZE LIST.

The principal prize-winners were as follows:

Scholarships, 1923.—Lau Chu Pak Scholarship: Tso Nai Shung.

Tai Yau Scholarship.—Wong Cheung King.

Scholarships, 1924.—Lugard Scholar: Lau Pui Ki.

Full Free Scholarships to Queen's College: Pau Noon Tat, Wu Yum Yu, Lo Hui Kwan, Ma Fook Yau, Fung Yau Shun.

Half Free Scholarships to Queen's College: Tsui Man Chan, Lau Koon Kau.

Tai Yau Scholarship.—Ip Shu San.

Lau Chu Pak Scholarship.—Cheung King Pak.

Ho Kom Tong Scholarship.—Lau Yu Chuan.

Chan Kai Ming Scholarship.—Pang Shiu Kwong.

Mrs. Lau Chu Pak Scholarship.—Li Iu Wai.

Ho Kom Tong Scholarship.—Wong Yuk Shu.

Mrs. Lau Chu Pak Scholarship.—Lee Chun Ting.

Ho Kom Tong Scholarship.—Tsui Chiu.

Chan Kai Ming Scholarship.—Pang Oi Kung.

## ENGLISH CLASSES.

4A.—Lau Lim Pan, Tsui Hung Chiu.

4B.—Chow Pak Tau, Yim Chan Fui.

4C.—Chung To Fat, Tso Po Shee.

5A.—Un Chin Fan, free scholarship.

(1) Wong Kam Suen; (2) Lau Shing Kif.

(3) Fung Hing Kan; Lam Shun Ye.

(4) Chung Sung To, Tsang Wing Chi.

(5) Chau Kwong Wing, Lee Yu Shing.

## LOCAL SPORT.

## FOOTBALL.

The following games are down for decision to-day:—

## INTERPORT PRACTICE GAME.

Hongkong F.C. ground at 3.45 p.m.  
Interport Team v. The Best. Referee: Mr. F. Smith. Linemen: Messrs. Spencer and Smith. R.A.

Teams:—  
A. E. Clark; Wynne and Bishop; Leung Yik Tong, McKelvie and Bristow; Charlesworth, Eaton, Humberstone, Lai Wai Tong and Mackleworth.  
Wavish; Wheeler and Hume; Pether, A. Duncan and Cheung Wing Shing; Harris, Sun Kam Shun, Jones, Butler and Brown.

## HONGKONG LEAGUE.

## Division II.

Kick-off at 2.15 p.m.

East Surreys Reserves v. East Surreys Drums. Sookunpo ground. Referee: Mr. Smith. R.A.

St. Joseph's "B" v. South China "B". Hongkong Club ground. Referee: Mr. F. Smith.

Kick-off at 2.30 p.m.

Kowloon Reserves v. Hongkong Club Reserves. Kowloon F.C. ground. Referee: Mr. Morfitt.

St. Joseph's "A" v. Club de Recreo "A". Navy "A" ground. Referee: Mr. Tovey.

Club de Recreo "B" v. South China "A". South China ground. Referee: Mr. Pernon.

Sacred Heart v. University. St. Joseph's ground. Referee: Mr. Smith.

UNITED SERVICES COMPETITION.

## Division I.

Kick-off at 2 p.m.

H.M.S. Despatch v. H.M.S. Hawkins. Navy "B" ground. Referee: Mr. Spencer.

## INTERPORT TRIAL.

To-day will see the Interport team out as a team for the first time. Last week the forwards were against defence, the result being a goal win for the forwards. A good side has been selected to play against the Interport team and a fine game should be seen.

## TO-DAY'S PROSPECTS.

The two teams of the East Surreys meet in the junior league at Sookunpo and a well contested game should be seen. The previous meeting between these teams ended in a win for the Reserves by the odd goal in five although the Drums were considered the better team. A goalless draw would appear a fitting result, but the Reserves cannot afford to drop a point, for the Club de Recreo "A" is running them close for the championship.

The Recreo first team will be out against St. Joseph's first team on the Navy "A" ground and the Portuguese Club will have to go all out if they wish to take the two points, for it will be remembered that the College team lowered the East Surreys Reserves' colours on the same ground by four goals to one. The Club de Recreo should win on their present form.

Kowloon and Hongkong Club second teams meet on the Railway ground at Kowloon and the home team is expected to win.

The Club de Recreo "B" team are the visitors to the South China ground this week where they will be opposed to the "A" team. The previous game between these teams ended in a win for the Club de Recreo, and South China is expected to reverse the result to-day.

The game between the University and Sacred Heart on St. Joseph's ground should be very even with the University just getting home.

On the Club ground the second teams of St. Joseph's and South China are due, the game starting at 2.15 p.m. so as not to delay the Interport practice game which follows. On their form of last week the South China team should win.

H.M.S. Hawkins and H.M.S. Despatch will meet to-day on the Navy "B" ground in the first round of the United Services Senior Competition.

"IROQUOIS" BEATS "HAWKINS." Playing on the Navy ground on Thursday evening in the Junior Competition, H.M.S. Iroquois beat H.M.S. Hawkins Reserves by a goal to nil. Upfold scored early in the second half and the Hawkins tried hard to level up, but were met by a stubborn defence.

## SERVICES CHARITY MATCH.

## LOCAL FUNDS BENEFIT.

The net proceeds from the Charity Football match between the Army and the Navy played on January 16, amounted to \$39.48, and the following amounts have been forwarded to:—

Naval Charities ..... \$269.74

Captain Ladies' Help Society ..... 50.00

Chaplains Fund ..... 219.74

Total ..... \$539.48

## CRICKET.

## K.C.C. v. R.A.

The following have been selected to play to-day for the K.C.C.—H. Overy, S. Jex, J. C. Lyle, F. Goodwin, Geo. Lee, A. E. P. Raven, R. C. Mitchell, J. L. Handle, W. F. J. Gorrie, K. R. Macaskill, and A. J. Kew.

Play starts at 2 p.m.

## TURF TOPICS.

SOME OF THE CANDIDATES ALREADY FANCIED.

## SUGGESTIONS FOR HANDICAPS.

[BY ARDUS.]

Having men generally welcomed the steady fall of rain, that started on Thursday night and continued throughout most of yesterday. With the first day of the big meeting a month from Monday trainers are naturally anxious to take fuller advantage of the grass course, which has been too hard for most people for many weeks past. Good use, however, has been made of the inside track and already it is possible to form some idea of the new ponies likely to pay for following throughout the meeting.

Among the Derby candidates the talent are almost unanimous in opinion that it will fall to one of the alleged half-breds. Among these the most fancied would appear to be: King of Hearts, The Bee, Suracen, Soldan, Seattle, Chicago, Strathallan, Grey Morn, Newtownstewart, Phenomenal Dablia, Local Option, Prohibition, Arabian Parrot, Salmon, Beldorney Star, Deveron Star, Primrose Leaf, Autumn Leaf, Gypsy Love.

Were there any pool rooms at which calling over took place, one would probably find King of Hearts and Local Option in most demand. If one could, in addition, cover on Arabian Parrot, Mr. Birkett's pair, Newtownstewart, Strathallan and Mr. Dryadust's choice, one would probably have picked the winner. That, at this stage there is no outstanding pony, according to Admiral Rous, would indicate that they are a very moderate lot of Derby candidates, but the Admiral's famous recipe predicates that one must see them race in a bunch or against the clock with something to carry them along.

## SUBSCRIPTION GRIFFINS.

When the drawing for the subscription griffins took place last November, the following appeared to me most "in the rough"

(29) Monitor, (32) Ulu, (14) Spaghetti, (44) Poppy Leaf, (38) Colman, (71) Egyptian Parrot, (85) Strathely, (31) Rodeo, (25) Joe, (8) Liba, (30) —, (34) Uncle Dick, (51) —, (34) Gilbert, (40) King Fisher, (53) Washout, (62) King Ptolemy, (45) —, (37) —, (82) The Tyke, (35) Grecian Parrot, (32) Aces Up, (67) Virid Dablia, (3) Martini, (66) Nugget, (12) Two Pairs, (47) Strathorne, (64) Marigny, (6) Uncle Tom, (33) —, (48) The Sheik, (73) Nassau, (89) —, (74) Urgent, (15) Chiku, (70) Flying Star, (46) Quab, (80) Smart Crook, (56) —, (42) Tea Shop, (16) Fanny Leaf.

Of the above, I preferred: Smart Crook, (89), Mr. Taggart's, Marigny, (16), Aces Up, Grecian Parrot, The Tyke, Poppy Leaf, The Sheik.

Sickness, slowness and failure to pass the standard have eliminated seven of the 42 noted out of the 90 drawn, but I fancy the addition of No. 17, Mowgli, would give one the pick of the bunch according to the form so far shown.

At the moment No. 84, Uncle Dick, is the "early coffee" selection, but I am confident he will not have matters all his own way when once the colours are up.

## HELPING THE HANDICAPPER.

As already noted in these columns, complaint has frequently been made—more especially in Shanghai—that the bottom weights in handicap are too light to allow of riders being found, while the top-weight is not "asked to carry enough" since he generally wins, to quote one of my correspondents. While I still maintain that the good performer should never be asked to carry more than 10-15 lbs. over weight for inches up, Grecian Parrot, the Stewards could aid the task of the handicapper materially by framing different conditions for handicaps, at the extra meetings. I would suggest that winners of \$500 in handicaps since January 1st each year be barred and that, instead of the handicapper being left the task of dividing the ponies into classes A. and B., it should be done according to measurement, fractions of an inch to count against the pony. Class A could include ponies above the 13.0 standard, i.e., 13.6 would only be eligible for the A. class. For fear lest it may be urged that ponies under 13.0 might predominate as top-weights, it should be pointed out that two wins in either class (or one in each) would debar the performer "spoiling other handicaps." Another good innovation would be to frame conditions in such a way that if top-weight did not accept before noon on the day of the race, all weights would be raised so that top-weight would be as allotted by the handicapper. This, at any rate, would to a great extent, remove cause for complaint that riders can seldom be found for the light brigade.

It might even be found necessary to bar a pony winning twice in "B" class. I shall probably be told that 15 lbs. above weight for inches would not stop a pony of Booran's calibre winning in either class. His height, I believe, is 12.3 (140 lbs.) so that if given top-weight on the suggested scale he would be allotted 104 lbs. If the little chap can carry that weight to victory, he deserves to win two handicaps during the extra meetings.

## HOCKEY.

H.K.H.C. 1st XI. v. "TAMAR."

The following will represent the Hongkong H.C. 1st XI. on Wednesday, Jan. 21st, at 5 p.m. sharp at the U.S.R.C. ground against the Tamar:—F. W. P. Mills, A. A. Dand, H. Owen Hughes, Roy E. W. L. Martin, E. J. B. Mitchell (capt.), L. P. Ralph, G. B. More, Lt. Jones, W. J. Woodward, E. L. Sim and B. D. Evans.

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A. W. TICKLE, Hon. Secretary.

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## HONGKONG ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY.

BURNS ANNIVERSARY DINNER.  
HONGKONG HOTEL.  
FRIDAY, 23rd JANUARY, 1925.

Will Members intending to be present please advise the undersigned by MONDAY, 19th INSTANT.  
A. RITCHIE, Hon. Secretary.

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## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer "MERIONES" are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into the Godowns, where it will be at Consignees' risk and subject to Terms and Conditions of Storage at the Godowns.  
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Optional Cargo will be landed, unless Notice has been given prior to the arrival of the Steamer, at the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon within the free storage period.  
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 22nd January, will be subject to Rent.  
All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 5th February, 1925, or they will not be recognized.  
No Fire Insurance will be effected.  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.  
Hongkong, 16th January, 1925. [1729]

## RICKMERS LINE.

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Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that they must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading can be countersigned.  
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Hongkong, 17th January, 1925. [1717]

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## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 44, Des Voeux Road, on THURSDAY, 19th FEBRUARY, 1925, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and electing Directors and Auditors.  
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, 5th FEBRUARY, to THURSDAY, 19th FEBRUARY, 1925, both days inclusive, during which period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.  
By Order of the Board of Directors,  
JOHN ARNOLD, Secretary.

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## INTIMATIONS

## HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Club will be held in the Jockey Club Room, Hongkong Club Annex, on THURSDAY, JANUARY 22nd, 1925, at 5.30 p.m., for the purpose of proposing a Resolution to adopt the Revised Rules and Regulations and Rules of Racing of the Club.  
A Copy of the Revised Rules and Regulations and Rules of Racing may be inspected by Members at the Office of the Secretary upon application.  
By Order,  
C. B. BROWN, Secretary.

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## HONGKONG DEVELOPMENT, BUILDING &amp; SAVINGS SOCIETY, LTD.

## NOTICE OF ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 17th JANUARY, 1925, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the period from the 23rd December, 1923, to the 30th September, 1924, and also for election of Directors.  
THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 13th January to 17th January, 1925, both days inclusive.  
By Order of the Board,  
EDWARD B. RAYMOND, Secretary.

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## THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY SEVENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. JAMES, MATTHEW & CO., LTD., on THURSDAY, 19th FEBRUARY, 1925, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1924.  
The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, 23rd January, to Tuesday, 27th February, both days inclusive, during which period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.  
By Order of the Board of Directors,  
L. S. GREENHILL, Secretary.

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## ST. DAVID'S SOCIETY.

Will Those desirous of Attending the Dinner on St. DAVID'S DAY kindly communicate with Mr. D. DAVIES, c/o SANITARY OFFICE, Post Office Buildings, or Mr. F. P. WILLIAMS, c/o JAMES, MATTHEW & CO., LTD., Insurance Department.

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## The Daily Press

HONGKONG, JANUARY 17TH, 1925.

## A LOCAL PERSONAL TRIUMPH.

DURING the past few weeks, and particularly during the last few days, we have heard a great deal about the remarkable play written by GEORGE BERNARD SHAW and the doings of our local amateurs who were courageous enough to present it here. They have enabled many people to realise something of the true character of the Maid of Orleans and also something of the genius of the creator of the drama which succeeded so splendidly in London and other places. Capable critics have, for once at any rate, agreed with the average play-goer by giving unstinted praise to the play. Its production on the local stage has been well planned and well carried out. The majority of those who have seen it are also enthusiastic and sincere in their congratulations to the players. The general public, and especially members of the A.D.C., recognise that the members of the cast must have devoted much time and attention to rehearsals and memory training.

There is, however, one name that must not be overlooked. The dynamic force behind the whole business in Hongkong has been the genius of Mr. SINCLAIR. This last effort of the local A.D.C. is peculiarly his own personal triumph. He has served Hongkong well as a producer of plays, but never has he reached such heights in any of his many previous efforts. Those who had already studied "the book of the words" frankly marvelled at the audacity of Mr. SINCLAIR when it was first hinted that he hoped to produce "Saint Joan." All that we can say now is that he has triumphed over what had seemed to be insuperable difficulties. There are people who say the play is too long, but it has been noticed that no one in Hongkong has thought of leaving the theatre until the

final scene ended. That audiences, night after night, should be satisfied to remain in the very uncomfortable seats of our local theatre throughout a play which occupies three and a half hours is surely a most eloquent tribute in itself to both the quality of the play and the excellence of its production.

In regarding the production of "St. Joan" as probably Mr. SINCLAIR's last effort for the local A.D.C. we recall the indebtedness of the community to him for a great many treats besides that which will be regarded as his masterpiece. It is an open secret that when Mr. SINCLAIR produces a play he brings to the task the genius that CHARLES described as "the transcendent capacity of taking trouble." He carries the full burden with a resolute determination to have everything as near perfection as possible. Repetition after repetition; this way tried and that idea put forward and then discarded; where to place this or that character on the stage, how to dress another and what shall be the proper tone of voice—these are all problems, mixed up with the details of finance and the limitations of local tailors or materials. It is easy for us to look on and to give, as is justly due, great praise to members of the cast. We say that Mr. SINCLAIR is "lucky" to find the almost ideal personality who has taken the star part. The Hongkong "Saint Joan" certainly deserves all the praise we can give. But, with Mr. SINCLAIR, "luck" is really hard work. His genius is, in one respect at least, Napoleonic, in the sense that he is able to discover latent histrionic talent, and is unparing in his endeavour to make the most of it. He will not have it "wrapped in a napkin." That is the real secret of his "luck." There is an oft-repeated phrase that no one is indispensable, and perhaps we shall discover some one else who will reach the same high standard set by this production. If so, we can assure him, or her, of the gratitude of the Hongkong public. It is true there has been something very much like what religious people call a "revival" during the last year or so in the world of art in Hongkong. We pride ourselves on the material prosperity of the Colony, but there is something else in life that is elusive, for which we all, more or less, hunger. It is the desire for that which stirs our finest emotions, and this community owes a great deal to Mr. SINCLAIR for his many successful efforts to meet that desire. This is well remembered by many people in the sincere congratulations now showered upon him on his greatest, possibly his final, local personal triumph.

The Burns Anniversary dinner under the auspices of the Hongkong St. Andrew's Society is announced for January 23rd.

His Excellency the Governor was present at the performance of St. Joan last night, for the second time during the present season.

Colonel Butterworth, R.E., who has been spending a few weeks in the Federated Malay States, returned by the s.s. "Nam Sang" yesterday.

Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, ordered the confiscation of 4,300 rounds of ammunition recently found in a sampar by R.O. Lanigan, who received his information from the owner of the boat.

At the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, Mr. E. W. Hamilton imposed a fine of \$50 upon each of two stonecutters for carrying on blasting operations during prohibited hours, and without giving sufficient warning, at the junction of Lai Chi Kok Road and Tai Po Road on the 1st inst.

At 10.30 a.m. yesterday Ching Choi, a farmer residing at Yuen Tung Village, Ching Lung Tsi, reported to the Tsau Wan Police Station that three men, armed with revolvers, raided his house and kidnapped one man and one woman. The kidnappers succeeded in getting clear away with their captives.

## TAKOO BALL.

## LAST NIGHT'S SUCCESSFUL FUNCTION.

The Takoo Ball, which has been held annually since 1892, took place last night at the Takoo Club, and was as usual, a great success.

The Club had been attractively dressed for the occasion. The keynote of the decorations was simplicity, of a kind that lent a charm to the various rooms. The entrance to the Club was bedecked with greenery from which shone electric lights of different colours. The porch, dancing room and supper room were tastefully decorated with bamboo greenery. In the former, electric signs had given notice of the different dances had been provided, and a photograph of the founder of the firm, Mr. John Swire, was prominently displayed. Over this were the flags of Messrs. Butterfield & Swire and the Mercantile Marine.

The signs were erected by Mr. E. A. Hull, and the lighting arrangements were in the charge of Messrs. M. H. Wallace, T. Young and W. Warwick.

Owing to the large increase in the number of guests this year the dance floor was entirely cleared, and the Orchestra, the "Black Cat," was ensconced in the gallery above.

There were nearly 400 dancers present.

The programme follows:-

Extra Waltz ..... Nightingale.  
1.—Lancers ..... Cosmopolitan.  
2.—One Step—Hinky Dinky Parley Voo.  
3.—Fox Trot ..... Oh, Horsey keep your tail up.  
4.—Eightsome—De'il among the Tailors.  
5.—Waltz—Just a Girl that men forget.  
6.—Fox Trot—It ain't gonna rain no mo'.  
7.—Fox Trot ..... June Nights.  
8.—One Step ..... I'm getting better every day.  
9.—Fox Trot ..... Burning Sands.  
10.—Fox Trot ..... By the shores of Aloha Land.  
11.—Fox Trot ..... Felix kept on walking.  
12.—Fox Trot ..... Paradise Alley.  
13.—Lancers ..... Student Songs.  
14.—Waltz ..... Lazy Honolulu.  
15.—One Step ..... Scotch Medley.  
16.—Fox Trot ..... Parade of the Wooden Soldiers.  
17.—Caledonians ..... Caledonians.  
18.—Fox Trot ..... Last night in the Back Porch.  
19.—Waltz ..... Moonlight Memories.  
20.—Fox Trot—Why did I kiss that Girl?  
21.—One Step—Maggie! Yes Ma.  
22.—Extra Waltz ..... Mellow Moon.

The sub-committees were as under:-

Decorations—Messrs. J. Simpson, T. Young, R. Gray, W. Grimsback, C. Young, M. H. Wallace, E. Moore and T. Peterson.

Supper—Messrs. W. Weir, D. McNeillie, J. Mitchell, G. McLeod, C. B. Mathews, T. Peterson, D. Austin, J. Muirhead and Stewart Hope.

Door—Messrs. Grimsback, Mitchell and T. Young.

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Cloak Room—Messrs. Laing and Waid.

M.C.'s—Messrs. J. Russell, N. M. Campbell, E. Moore, J. Ashcroft and C. Young.

Those invited included: Mr. G. M. Young, Mr. J. Reid, Mr. K. E. Gregg, Col. Montague Bates, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Dyer, Lieut. Comdr. Holc, R.N., Mr. and Mrs. E. Cook (Kowloon Dock), Mr. N. S. Brown (B. & S.), Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Morris, Capt. and Miss Davidson, Comdr. Robinson, (Empress of Canada), Mr. and Mrs. W. A. E. Douglas and Miss Douglas, Mr. and Mrs. W. Weir, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Shaw and the Misses Shaw, Mr. J. K. Shaw and Staff Capt. Mayall (Empress of Canada).

## FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

## CEBU CEMENT COMPANY.

## HONGKONG OFFER TO PURCHASE TURNED DOWN.

MANILA, January 16th.

Negotiations for the purchase of the Cebu Cement Company by Father Robert on behalf of Hongkong interests has been turned down by the Government Board of Control here, according to President A. Barretto, representing the Cement Company.

## ANOTHER ROCKEFELLER GIFT.

## FOUR MILLION YEN DONATION TO TOKYO UNIVERSITY.

Tokyo, January 16th.

The Tokyo Imperial University Authorities has gratefully accepted Mr. John D. Rockefeller's unconditional offer, made at the end of last year, to contribute ¥4,000,000 towards the rehabilitation of the University Library.

"No offer was ever accepted with greater pleasure and satisfaction," stated Dr. Yoshino Kozai, President of the University, to-day.

(Continued on next Column.)

## POLITICAL SITUATION IN CHINA.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

## YEARS SET AT REST.

## SUN CHUAN FANG AND CHI HSIEH YUAN AGREE.

SHANGHAI, January 16th.

Reports that Sun Chuan Fang was unwilling to co-operate with Chi Hsieh Yuan were set at rest yesterday, when, according to the China Press, they met in conference at Lungtwa. It is noteworthy that during last Autumn they never personally conferred. It is understood that, as a result of the interview, Sun Chuan Fang agreed to send troops to assist Chi Hsieh Yuan against Lu Yung Hsiang. Chi Hsieh Yuan's forces are reported to be advancing from Chinkiang against Nanking.

Lu Yung Hsiang is also reported to be sending troops from Nanking against Lungtwa.

The vernacular Press to-day reports that a skirmish has taken place at Lungtwa.

## AMERICAN MARINE FIRES.

SHANGHAI, January 16th.

A meeting of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce and various guilds this afternoon decided to finance the transportation of interned soldiers to Tsingtao, the soldiers to be given a few dollars each when landing at their destination.

It is proposed to charter a large ship and send them off in two or three days.

An American marine standing on guard at the internment camp noticed several Chinese soldiers trying to escape. He fired a few shots, killing one man and wounding two.

(FROM THE "DAILY BULLETIN.")

## 10,000 TROOPS INTERNED.

SHANGHAI, January 16th.

The defected and interned troops numbering some 10,000, are causing apprehension, as they are suffering considerable discomfort in the internment camp, in spite of the efforts to provide food for the hutments.

Three days of incessant rain have added to their discomfort. The men are grumbling and restive. Hence there is some danger that they may break out and start looting.

E.M.S. Carlsde and American and Japanese cruisers each landed 100 marines this morning, and also 90 Italians and 90 more French were landed to assist the police in coping with the menace.

## A RUMOUR DENIED.

PEKING, January 15th.

The reports to the effect that Wu Pei Fu and Hsiao Yao Nan are connected with Chi Hsieh Yuan's resumption of hostilities are not credited in official circles.

## TUAN AND FENG.

PEKING, January 15th.

Tuan Chi Jui recently sent his confidential counsellor, General Tin Hai Yuan, to interview Feng Yu Hsiang, after which it was rumoured that Feng Yu Hsiang had resolved to take up his post of Tupa of the North-West Frontier, but no official statement could be obtained.

## FENG YU HSIANG HAS NOW STARTED FOR KALGAN.

PEKING, January 15th.

Feng Yu Hsiang has now started for Kalgan, and it is reported that he intends to assume his post and establish headquarters at Pingtehuan, near Tatingfu. This report is creating a favourable reaction from the recent pessimism, which is based largely on the knowledge that Feng Yu Hsiang is continuing to recruit extensively, although he already controls some 60,000 men, not counting Sun Yuch's and Hu Ching Yie's forces.

## MANILA COURT CASE.

## REVERSAL OF JUDGMENT GIVEN IN HONGKONG.

INGENHOFF v. OLSEN.

MANILA, January 16th.

The Supreme Court rules, in the case of Ingenhoff versus Olsen, that the plaintiff is not entitled to use the three trademarks claimed by the defendant, although the Hongkong Supreme Court had ruled to the contrary.

The case arose during the war and involved the confiscation of alien tobacco factories. The majority opinion states: "With all due respect to the Hongkong Court's judgment, it overlooks the fact that the primary purpose of seizure was a war measure by an ally of Great Britain, which should have been sustained under the comity of nations."



## CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.

[THROUGH BUREAU'S AGENCY.]

## POLITICS IN FRANCE.

**VOTE OF CONFIDENCE IN CHAMBER.**

PARIS, January 16th.

The Chamber of Deputies, by 230 to 206 votes, passed a vote of confidence in the Government.

## M. PAINLEVE RE-ELECTED.

PARIS, January 16th.

M. Painlevé was re-elected President of the Chamber of Deputies to-day.

Delivering his inaugural speech, he recalled the conferences in London and Geneva, where France, without renouncing her independence or rights, pointed the way to nations groping after peace. He emphasized the bitter disappointment of France, who after so many grievous losses and ruins, must bear the heavy burden with which Justice should have saddled others.

France's good sense and gallantry will vigorously deny the ridiculous rumours, alluding to the possibility of riots.

France will not admit the interference of any foreign country in her home affairs and will overcome victoriously her post-war difficulties as she did those of the war.—Horus.

## SOME STORMY SCENES.

PARIS, January 16th.

The vote of confidence followed a heated night-long debate over the recent strike of fish canners at Donarnez in Brittany, which was Communist in origin. Socialist interpellations, which alleged interference with the strike by Fascist organisations, acting on behalf of the employers, led to an uproar, whereupon the sitting was suspended.

The Minister of the Interior subsequently declared liberty to work would be assured without acceding to the demands of the employers, amounting to brutal repression.

## EARLIER CABLES.

## POLITICS IN ITALY.

## OPPOSITION MAKING BOLD DISPLAY IN CHAMBER.

ROME, January 16th.

The Opposition, headed by Signors Giolitti, Orlando and Salandra, has presented a strongly worded resolution in the Chamber declaring that, in view of the Government's encroachments on the liberty of the subject, the discussion of the Electoral Bill is injurious.

Though it is regarded as a foregone conclusion that this resolution, which is bound to lead to a motion of confidence, will be defeated, it is believed the Opposition is hopeful that a bold display by the leading personalities of the old regime will have the moral of the country in their favour.

## LATEST CABLES.

## PLANNING AIR ROUTES.

## SIR SEFTON BRANCKER IN CALCUTTA.

## CONFIDENCE IN FUTURE.

CALCUTTA, January 16th.

Discussing aviation prospects, Major-General Sir Sefton Brancker (Director of Civil Aviation) said he was confident mooring masts for airships ultimately would be erected at Karachi, Bombay, Calcutta, Rangoon and Singapore.

He announced that, it was proposed shortly to link up New York with London. He foreshadowed a flight from Karachi to New York in seven days.

## CORN FOR COMMUNISTS.

## COMMISSAR RYKOV ON TROTSKY'S FAILING.

MOSCOW, January 16th.

M. Rykov, President of the Council of Commissars, in a speech at the first All Russian Congress of Schoolmasters, stated that M. Trotsky was in bed with an illness curable but lingering. M. Trotsky was going southward soon to undergo a cure.

Referring to the misunderstandings between the Communist party and M. Trotsky, M. Rykov said Trotsky undervalued the rôle of the peasantry in the policy of Soviet Russia. The Communist Party insisted on preserving all the Bolshevik traditions, while Trotsky wished to introduce certain changes opposed to Lenin's traditions.

M. Rykov declared the Soviet intended to import 250,000 tons of corn in order to provide the peasants of several districts, with corn for next Spring and regulate the market price of corn. But there was no immediate want of corn anywhere in Soviet Russia, he concluded.

## LATEST CABLES.

## INTER-ALLIED DEBTS.

## BRITISH POINT OF VIEW CLEARLY DEFINED.

PARIS, January 16th.

In connection with the publication of the Clementel-Churchill correspondence, a semi-official statement points out that the Curzon Note of August 11th, 1923, stated the British debt to America was 14 milliards, 200 million gold marks, and if it be calculated that the Dawes annuities will bring in 37 milliard gold marks, Britain would receive, according to the Spa percentages, 22 per cent. or about 8 milliards. Therefore, as Britain proposes to claim from her debtors only the sum necessary to pay the difference, this apparently does not exceed two or three milliard gold marks.

## EARLIER CABLES.

## CLEMENTEL TAKES INITIATIVE.

LONDON, January 16th.

The correspondence between M. Clementel and Mr. Winston Churchill exchanged at Paris, which was published to-night, shows that the former took the initiative by requesting Mr. Churchill to define the British ideas regarding the inter-Allied debts, as it was a subject on which France was desirous of reaching a settlement.

Mr. Churchill, replying, promised to probe the matter in the Cabinet in London and send an answer enabling France to present definite proposals, meanwhile repeating that the Balfour Note remains the dominating guide and principle.

At the conclusion of to-day's meeting of the Cabinet, which dealt specifically with the question of inter-Allied debts, it was reliably reported that a further discussion of the details was necessary before a Note could be expected to be sent to France, and that a definite pronouncement was not likely for several weeks.

It may be useful to recall that the Balfour Note broadly laid down the principle that Great Britain did not require more from the Allies and Germany together than was necessary to liquidate the British debt to America.

## BELGIUM ALSO PLEASED.

BRUSSELS, January 16th.

Any doubts regarding Belgium's feelings over the Paris Agreement were set at rest by the Premier's statement in the Chamber to-day, that from the Belgian standpoint the negotiations were successful beyond dispute.

## MIDLAND BANK CASE.

## HOBBS COMMITTED AT BOW STREET FOR TRIAL.

LONDON, January 16th.

In closing their case at Bow Street Police Court, the prosecution submitted three charges against Hobbs, namely, conspiracy to cheat and defraud Sir Hari Singh; stealing by means of menaces; and receiving two bankers' cheques for £150,000 knowing them to have been stolen abroad.

Hobbs was committed for trial, bail being refused.

Hobbs made a statement describing Newton's evidence as a tissue of lies, asserting his innocence and reserving his defence.

Hobbs declared: "I have had no opportunity of conducting my defence. I have been unwell, and I am under a terrible disadvantage. I would not send a dog to prison on a demand."

## NEW GERMAN CABINET.

## PERSONNEL FULLY CONFIRMS COMPLEXION OF FORECAST.

BERLIN, January 16th.

The list of Dr. Luther's Cabinet confirms the forecast as regards the complexion.

In addition to Herren Stresemann and Neuhause it includes, as Minister of the Interior, Herr Schiele, the leader of the German National Party; as Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, Herr Stengel, of the Bavarian People's Party; as Minister of Defence, Herr Gessler; and as Labour Minister Herr Brauns.

## NOT ARDENT REPUBLICANS.

After ten days' wearisome negotiations with Party leaders, Dr. Luther, Finance Minister, has practically succeeded in forming a somewhat remarkable Government, the majority of its members are certainly not able to be described as ardent republicans. For example, Herr Neuhause, the new Minister of Economics, left the State Service because he refused to take an oath of allegiance to the Republican constitution, and out of ten Ministers whom Dr. Luther proposed to appoint, no fewer than seven belong to or are connected with "Right" parties, namely German Nationals and Peoples Party. Consequently, the Cabinet will be strongly influenced by Nationalist tendencies, especially in Home affairs, but as Herr Stresemann remains Foreign Minister, presumably the Foreign policy generally will be unchanged, especially as the Centre Party holds the key to the situation and can throw the Government out of the Reichstag whenever it wishes. The Socialists will sharply oppose the Cabinet in the Reichstag, while the Democrats will adopt a waiting attitude.

## LATEST CABLES.

## THIRD TEST MATCH.

## AUSTRALIANS LOSE SEVEN MEN FOR 275.

## ENGLAND'S SKIPPER INJURED.

ADELAIDE, January 16th.

The third Test Match opened here to-day in excellent weather before a crowd of 26,000. The wicket was perfect.

Lord Forster, G.C.M.G., Governor-General of the Commonwealth, and Major-General Sir Tom Bridges, K.C.M.G., D.S.O., Governor of South Australia, were among those watching the game.

H. L. Collins, the Australian captain, again won the toss and opened the innings with Arthur Richardson.

With only 10 on the board, Tate bowled Collins for 3. J. M. Gregory filled the vacancy, but was bowled by Freeman with the score one short of 20. Three runs later, J. M. Taylor was out. L.H.W. Tate without scoring.

M. Ponsford helped A. Richardson to carry the score to 114, when he was caught at the wicket off Gilligan, for 31 (4 for 114).

Four runs later, Arthur Richardson was bowled by Kilner for 69 (118 for 3). Victor Richardson was caught by Whysall, off Kilner, after making 4 (119 for 6). J. S. Ryder and T. J. E. Andrews carried the score to 233, when the last named was bowled by Kilner for 72. C. Kelleway remained with Ryder until the drawing of stumps, when the score was 275 runs for 7 wickets.

England made another excellent start but luck turned at the critical moment, allowing two players new to this series of tests to pull the game round, scoring 134 for the seventh wicket.

The English fielding was good, especially that of Kilner. Tate was troubled with a recurrence of pain in his toe, the nail of which recently dropped off, and had to retire for treatment.

A. Richardson made a most valuable contribution. He was batting 24 hours and hit 7 fours. The driving of Andrews was splendid as was his cutting and placing to leg. He was at the wickets 8 minutes under two hours and obtained 4 fours. Ryder, who was batting for 2 hours and 20 minutes, gave a stylish display. He has obtained 4 fours.

A. E. R. Gilligan, the English captain, strained his thigh during the afternoon. He retired when play was stopped for tea, and did not field after the interval. He is probably resting and will be able to play to-morrow.

The scores at present are:

AUSTRALIA.		1st Innings.	
H. L. Collins, b Tate	3	A. Richardson, b Kilner	69
J. M. Gregory, b Freeman	6	J. M. Taylor, l.b.w., b Tate	0
J. M. Taylor, l.b.w., b Tate	0	M. Ponsford, c Strudwick, b Gilligan	31
V. Richardson, c Whysall, b Kilner	4	J. S. Ryder, not out	72
T. J. E. Andrews, b Kilner	72	C. Kelleway, not out	8
C. Kelleway, not out	8	Extras	10
Total (for 7 wickets)	275		

FALL OF WICKETS.		1		2		3		4		5		6		7	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
10	19	22	114	118	119	253									

## EARLIER CABLES.

## HOME FOOTBALL.

## FURTHER RESULTS IN CUP REPLAYS.

LONDON, January 16th.

In the replays in the first round of the English Cup to-day, Hull defeated Wolverhampton Wanderers, after extra time, by one goal to love.

Barnsley defeated Millwall by 2 goals to 1.

In the second round, on Saturday (to-day), Hull meet the Crystal Palace; Barnsley play Bradford City. West Ham and Arsenal have yet to reach a decision to see who meets Notts Forest; Brighton plays Southampton.

## CRICKET IN AFRICA.

## THIRD UNOFFICIAL TEST MATCH STARTS.

CAPETOWN, January 16th.

In the third unofficial Test match, between South Africa and Mr. Joel's XI, the home side batted first and were all out for 113.

Greary took 6 wickets for 37.

At the close of play, Mr. Joel's team had scored 184 for the loss of 4 wickets. Tyldeney scored 50.

## LATEST CABLES.

## ENEMIES OF REPUBLIC.

## "VORWAERTS" WAKES WRATH AT GOVERNMENT.

BERLIN, January 16th.

The Vorwaerts declares the new Government, consisting of open and secret enemies of the German Republic, is a slap in the face for the workers, who are indignant. They are preparing to fight the Government, not only in the Reichstag, but in the whole field of industrial life.

## EARLIER CABLES.

## MOTOR TRADE RIFT.

## BAN PLACED UPON CANADIAN EXHIBITORS AT WEMBLEY.

LONDON, January 16th.

The representatives of several Canadian motor manufacturers cabled to the Canadian Government yesterday evening with reference to the ban on exhibition at the British Empire Exhibition imposed by the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders, who announced yesterday that members exhibiting at Wembley would be forbidden to exhibit at the annual show at Olympia.

The Canadian Government in reply has cabled to the Canadian Exhibition Commissioner instructing him officially to protest against this interference with would-be exhibitors by a trade organisation, adding that if a satisfactory arrangement is not found, Canada will resort to withdrawal from participation at Wembley.

## AUSTRALIAN SHIPPING.

## PORT PHILLIP STEVEDORES CAUSE TROUBLE.

MELBOURNE, January 16th.

The stevedores at Port Phillip decided not to unload the steamer *Clan Macrae*. Thirty-four of the crew of the steamer *Moeraki* were each sentenced to a fortnight's imprisonment.

The Commonwealth Government have taken over the steamer *Yarra* in order to maintain communication with Tasmania, and are advertising for a crew.

## LATER.

A mass meeting of fund-raisers passed a vote of confidence in Mr. Walsh, who was arrested the day before yesterday and also in the management of the Committee.

A full crew has been obtained for the *Yarra*, which leaves for Tasmania to-morrow.

## LATEST CABLES.

## REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.

## AMERICA AND EUROPE.

## SIGNIFICANT STATEMENT FROM WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, January 16th.

Officials consider that American participation in the Paris Conference has not involved the Washington Government in European affairs; nor committed it to future participation therein. In the last connection, they do not agree with the British and French Press views that the Conference at Paris marked America's entrance into European affairs.

## NURMI AT IT AGAIN.

## FINLAND CHAMPION LOWERS MORE RECORDS.

NEW YORK, January 16th.

Paavo Nurmi, Finland's Olympic champion, won the 3,000 metre race, run in Madison Square Gardens to-day. His full time was 8min., 26.4-sec., which beats his previous best of 8min. 27.4-sec., put up on September 16th, 1923. He also claim to three new indoor records—namely 11 miles in 7min. 53.3-sec., 11 miles in 7min. 53.3-sec., 3,000 metres in 8min. 26.4-sec.

## EARLIER CABLES.

## BACK TO THE LAW.

WASHINGTON, January 16th.

President Coolidge's secretary, Mr. Sloop, announces his early retirement and return to law practice.

## MILLIONAIRE'S LOSSES.

STORY OF MAN WHO WAS ONCE WORTH \$2,000,000.

At Greenwich County Court last month Nicholas John Countouris, 89, of Forest Hill, asked for his discharge in bankruptcy.

Mr. J. Dodd, for Countouris, said that at one time he was a merchant prince of Constantinople and Smyrna and owned 200,000 acres of land in the Near East. At pre-war value it was worth about \$2,000,000 and at one time his income was enormous.

He was the pioneer of cigarette-smoking in England and had twenty shops of the Ottoman Tobacco Company. The war came and prosperity vanished. Civil war destroyed all his Smyrna property. The Official Receiver said it was inconceivable that a man possessing \$2,000,000 worth of property and having an income of \$20,000 to \$25,000 a year could be so destitute of friends that he could find no one to investigate his claims abroad. The application should not have been brought until there was some evidence of the existence or non-existence of this property.

The application was adjourned.

## WIDESPREAD PLOT IN EGYPT.

## IMPORTANT DISCOVERIES.

The arrest of prominent Egyptian politicians has been effected by the British authorities, the prisoners being lodged in the Citadel (wrote *The Daily Telegraph's* Diplomatic correspondent on November 27th). But the swiftness with which it has followed upon the exit of the Zaghloul Government and the restoration to the British Commissioner of Police and the British Director of Public Security of the powers and facilities of which they had been deprived by the Government is evidence of the extent to which these authorities had been obstructed in their previous endeavours to carry out their normal duties, and by none more than by one of the arrested men, Nokrashi. Undoubtedly the British authorities have been greatly assisted in their prompt discovery of the present plot by the knowledge gleaned from the headquarters of the Egyptian Police and Public Security Departments. The evidence obtained, it is understood, proves that the assassination of the Sirdar was no isolated crime, but only one item in a murder campaign which included other British personages in Egypt, not excepting, so there is reason to believe, the highest.

There is much commendation in British circles of the loyalty of King Fuad and of Ziaur Pasha, although some of the latter's colleagues, who threatened to resign, but later abandoned this intention, apparently do not possess either his political sense and resolve to extirpate the murder gangs or his personal courage and indifference to popular clamour. It has certainly been found advisable to take special measures for the purpose of protecting the lives of the principal civil and military authorities, both British and Egyptian, as the ramifications of the conspiracy are so widespread that all its principals have been traced and secured. The high rank of the principals may be gauged from the arrests so far made.

Meanwhile, the news from the Egyptian officers and units showed a disinclination to leave the country when first ordered to do so by the British authorities, but when a direct and peremptory instruction was conveyed to them on behalf of the King and the Government they departed in an orderly and quiet manner. Had a strong British Government been in power when there took place at Khartoum a military mutiny of Egyptian cadets and railway troops two months ago, all Egyptian officers and units would have been ordered out at that time.

It may be news to some that, not so very long ago, the Cairo Government omitted to provide funds for the costs of the army of occupation, just as the Egyptian Government actually stopped payment of interest on the Egyptian Treasury bonds. The reassertion of British authority in Egypt should be most welcome to the bondholders, both British and French. The latter will find that their interests will be far more adequately safeguarded in Egypt now that the authority of the British Financial Adviser is to be re-established than the interests of the French holders of Ottoman bonds. They would certainly have shared the fate of the latter had the late Egyptian Government been allowed to continue unchallenged its reign of contempt for its obligations in this domain, as in that of the reserved points under the Declaration of 1922.

As the amount of French capital directly or indirectly invested in Egypt cannot fall far short of £200,000,000, the French business world, at any rate, should welcome the guarantees afforded by the re-establishment of effective British supervision in the various departments.

Conversations between Viscount Allenby and Ziaur Pasha are in progress respecting the position, powers, and rights of British and foreign officials. The British contention is that even officials of this category who may wish to retire before 1927—one of the dates mentioned in 1922—will not thereby forfeit their pension rights. When the question of officials has been settled, and if the present Egyptian Government should by then have proved its goodwill and capacity, there may ensue negotiations over the four reserved points, in which Mr. Neville Henderson would participate as Lord Allenby's chief assistant. But it is as yet too early to say whether or no such negotiations could lead to the conclusion of a Treaty placing Anglo-Egyptian relations on a permanent footing which would satisfy British interests and the foreign interests for which we are responsible.

## LORD DERBY.

## WHY HE DID NOT JOIN THE CABINET.

Addressing Lancashire Conservatives at Manchester recently, Lord Derby explained why he is not in the Cabinet. He said:

Mr. Baldwin tells me that if it had not been for my express wish he would have asked me to join his Cabinet. During not only Mr. Baldwin's previous Administration but also Mr. Bonar Law's I was one of those who did his best to secure the recognition of both wings of the Conservative Party.

I also strongly advocated that those who, even if they had not got the Conservative label, were with us heart and soul in the fight against Communism should be included in the Government, and I told both Mr. Bonar Law and Mr. Baldwin that if there was any chance of their being able to bring other members of the Conservative Party or any outsiders into the Cabinet they might always consider that my resignation of my post was in their pocket.

Mr. Baldwin took me at my word, and I was glad for I had quite made up my mind that I would not accept office.

Lord Derby added that he did not care for office, happy as he had been at the War Office. He had always felt there was better work to be done outside the Cabinet.

## CANADA TO-DAY.

## SIR EVELYN CECIL'S IMPRESSIONS.

Writing to *The Times* Sir Evelyn Cecil says:—

As a traveller who returned from a visit to Canada and across to Vancouver Island and in the United States on the eve of the General Election, I should be glad of an opportunity of calling attention to several overcast matters, perhaps somewhat disjointed from each other.

In the first place, with regard to emigration. Compare broadly the situations in Great Britain and Canada. Unemployment in Great Britain remains a most serious economic problem, and the late Labour-Socialist Government, despite their electoral promises, were unable to lessen it. In Great Britain there is not sufficient production of material wealth to supply the reasonable requirements of our population. On the other hand, in Canada there is practically no unemployment, while there is an available acreage fit to double and treble the present Canadian production of wheat if it could be brought under the plough, and there is said to be business equal to that of the United States, and it is the United States. The time may even come when the United States will depend largely on Canada for sustenance. The essential need of Canada is suitable population, and the tentative agreement between the late British Government and the Canadian Government for the emigration of families should be favourably watched. But intending emigrants must not rely solely upon Government; the self-reliance of the early pioneers was the main key to their success; there are no unemployment doles in Canada; youth especially can find a hopeful outlet in emigrating; and it is not always the best citizens at home who prove the best citizens overseas, and vice versa. Let keen young settlers from Great Britain rally to a growing country. Canadian stability is evidenced by the rise in the value of the Canadian dollar, on a par with that of the United States, and it is backed not a little by the admirable system of Canadian banking, and also (to judge from my correspondence) by a sense of confidence due to the results of the recent elections in Great Britain and the United States.

The vast majority of real business successes in Canada, as in the United States, are due to private enterprise. Their owners pay good wages, are prepared to risk their own fortunes, and business capital and can afford them; and administer their affairs on a footing of expert knowledge and personal touch too often lacking or unattainable under Government management.

Speaking at a luncheon very hospitably given me by the Winnipeg Canadian Club, I ventured to mention a possible tendency among British manufacturers, in response to a request from overseas Dominions for a special article adapted to local conditions, to quote for a superior article which they themselves recommended; and I feared that as a consequence overseas orders had been regrettably placed elsewhere. My remarks referred particularly to agricultural machinery and implements. Subsequently several members of the club came to me to substantiate this statement by examples within their own cognizance, and it is undoubtedly of continuing importance that British manufacturers should pay this matter special attention.

On the subject of the repeal of the McKenna duties I was informed near New York through a credible source that the exports to Great Britain by an automobile firm there of articles affected have trebled since the repeal, a deplorable fact for British employment.

## AUSTRALIA'S POPULATION.

## THE FUTURE'S MILLIONS.

In October, 1921, Governor Macquarie numbered the people, and found that the white population of Australia, exclusive of 1902 soldiers then on duty in New South Wales and its dependencies, amounted to 3,983,000. Of these, 2,975,000 were in New South Wales and 7,183 in Tasmania.

Macquarie, a man of vision, who believed in the future of Australia, had just been censured for entering upon a trust for the many millions of white men and women who are to possess the land by the end of another century.

On the foundations now being laid will be built the Australia of the future.—*Sun* (Sydney).

The examination of the bankruptcy court of Major Arnold Wilson, the promoter of the Gibbons-Bloomfield fight, has been concluded. In a statement of his affairs his liabilities were shown as £27,330 and his estimated assets as £22,000. The debtor said that he lost £15,000 on the Wembley fight.





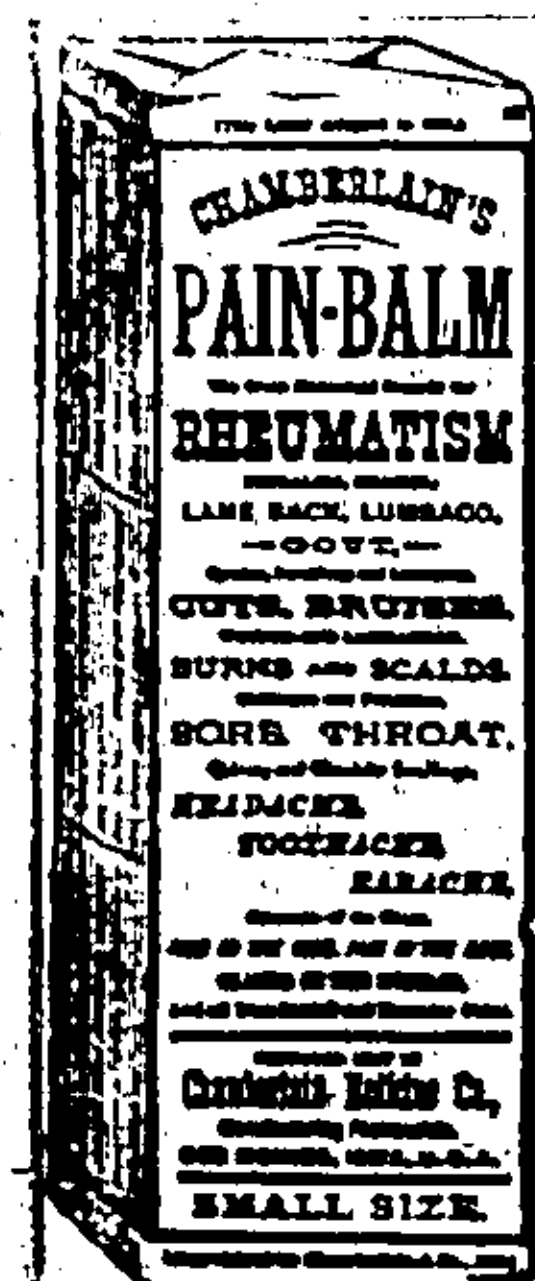


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PERIL TO AIRSHIPS.  
LIGHTNING STROKES ON ZEPPELINS.

Now that airships are being re-developed, considerable importance attaches to the possible dangers which may arise from the presence of thunderstorms along the route of a commercial airship, and some useful and illuminating contributions to this vital problem were made in a discussion at the Royal Aeronautical Society by such authorities as Dr. Simpson, Director of the Meteorological Office, Major Scott, who flew the Atlantic in the R.101, and Lieutenant-Colonel Richmond, who is in charge of the design and research section of the re-opened Cardington airship station.

The question arose out of a paper read by Dr. Simpson at the Society's rooms in Albemarle-street upon "Thunderstorms and Aviation," in which he expressed the view that the chief dangers to airships were great.

(1) Direct lightning stroke.  
(2) Ignition of the gas in the balloons through an internal spark.  
(3) Ignition of escaping gas through an external spark.

There was, however, no need to assume that an airship would necessarily be destroyed if struck by lightning, especially if the exterior of the hull were made of a smooth metal, so as to induce the electrical flash to strike, if it did strike, at the nose and fins, which were farthest away from the gasbags and had the weight of metal to take the heavy currents. Internal sparking was a preventable danger, and external sparking was only dangerous if it occurred near a gas vent, and round these parts no ends of wires or sharp metal points should be left, though he did not consider this danger very great.

Obviously everyone agreed that the commander of an airship would avoid a storm if he could, but Major Scott indicated how precautions against the effects of running into a storm had been considered in the design of the new British airship R.101 which is to be of 5-million cubic feet capacity. Reference had been made to ascending air currents, the characteristics of a velocity of 35 ft. per second, that was a velocity of 22 miles per hour, and Major Scott said that the airship was designed to have that rate of rise and descent, so that the vessel should be able to maintain itself in such a current. This would require that the airship should be flying at an angle of 15 deg., and would give a rise in height of 2,000 ft. per minute.

Another circumstance which helped the airship was that the ascending current was warm and the descending current was of colder air, and this variation in respect to the temperature of the gas in the airship was a balancing factor against the force of the current. In a case where this was not of high velocity, the static forces of the airship would be greater than the dynamic forces of the current, and in a rising current the airship would tend to fall and in a descending current to rise. He felt that the large airship of the future would be able to stand very high velocities in vertical currents, and it must not be assumed that even violent thunderstorms would be fatal. The stresses upon an airship, Major Scott pointed out, depended upon the rate of acceleration more than the rate of velocity. Several German airships had been right through thunderstorms and had come out intact.

Lieutenant-Colonel Richmond then dealt with the design side of airship in relation to these meteorological conditions. He said that there were authentic cases of a current of electricity passing through an airship and fusing a girder, owing, of course, to a concentration of current at a part not large enough to carry the charge. The fusing occurred at the nose where the cross section of the girders was small, and the obvious protection seemed to be to provide enough metal to carry the current at the most likely points of entrance and discharge. He agreed that there should be no points to encourage lightning to enter an airship, and mentioned that in conversation with Zeppelin pilots he was given personal experiences. In these cases the airship had formed part of the path of the electrical flash, and in nearly every case the lightning struck the ship at the top forward part and left it by the control, car in front or one of the wing-cars.

## FRANCE'S NAVY.

## FATAL "HOLIDAY" OF WAR YEARS.

PARIS, December 2nd.  
M. de Chappedelaine, Vice-President of one of the Commissions of the Chamber, in a report published to-day, draws attention to what is considered to be the deplorable weakness of the French Navy caused by the cessation of construction during the war years. Tables compiled by M. de Chappedelaine showed that during the period 1914 to 1922 France added 31 units to her fleet—to wit, four destroyers and 27 submarines. Since 1922 the rate of construction had increased, but, nevertheless, measuring ships of all classes laid down since 1914 on tonnage, France was launched, or has in construction, 107 units with a tonnage of 175,500, whereas the corresponding figures for England would be 340 units, with a total tonnage of 1,007,943 and for United States 414 units, representing just under a million tons.

M. de Chappedelaine states, as an instance of what he calls the fatal "naval holiday" of the war years, that the French Mediterranean squadron possesses at the present time, apart from six small Japanese destroyers bought during the war, only twelve destroyers, all launched in 1913; whereas the Italian Mediterranean Fleet has 20 destroyers, all of a later date. He concludes: "It is not thankful to be obliged to ask what has become of the real power of the French Navy after the war years, during which the ships in service were worn to the bone, and no effort was made to replace them." He admits, however, that the Naval Bill of the past three years have improved to an extent what he considers a very grave situation.

## OBJECTION TO BEAM WIRELESS.

## SECRECY CLAIM DISPUTED.

## MESSAGES THAT EASILY BE JAMMED.

LONDON, December 5th.

There is reason to believe that the Admiralty in particular is by no means fully convinced that the beam system of wireless will be of any but very restricted military use in time of war. The original claim of secrecy cannot be sustained in view of the extent to which the beam is gradually, so to speak, "sprayed out" until, at the far end of a very long range, reception is possible over an interval of, perhaps, hundreds of miles.

It is now stated that there is a further objection to the "beam" as a means of communication in war-time—namely, the possibility of dissipating it by means of a counter-beam, an operation which, it is said, could be effected by means of a comparatively simple and inexpensive instrument. The point has been openly discussed in Australia in connection with the proposed substitution of a beam for a high-power wireless station, but the authorities in this country are reticent on the subject. It is suggested that the arguments on both sides have yet to be fully developed, and that in any case somewhat elaborate experiments would have to be made before any definite conclusion could be formed.

## ENCUMBERING "REFLECTORS."

Certain facts bearing upon the controversy more or less naturally present themselves, one being the fact that beam transmission from ships at sea is entirely out of the question. Even in peace-time the necessary "reflectors" would be a serious encumbrance, while in war, of course, they would be quite impossible. Accordingly, beam wireless, as far as naval communication is concerned, would only be useful one way, and would, moreover, be useless for the important purpose of broadcasting an identical message to a number of scattered ships.

Further, as fixed transmission stations which an enemy would not have much difficulty in locating would be imperative, it would not be long before the paths of the principal beams were discovered, and if there is anything in the counter-beam theory, its practical application would be greatly facilitated. Incidentally, the comparatively insignificant power on which beam wireless is operated would render it all the more liable to interference, assuming that the work of jamming or otherwise confusing the beam transmission was being systematically and scientifically carried out. It has been stated that even during the war considerable confusion of enemy wireless operations was occasionally achieved by the application of a sort of super-jamming by means of a combined effort on the part of powerful British naval stations.

"Beam" wireless probably has a great future before it in the way of economical communication over long ranges for commercial and other peaceful purposes. But it is safe to say that at present no change in the Admiralty system, under which comparatively long waves are radiated and generally speaking, broadcast, is contemplated.

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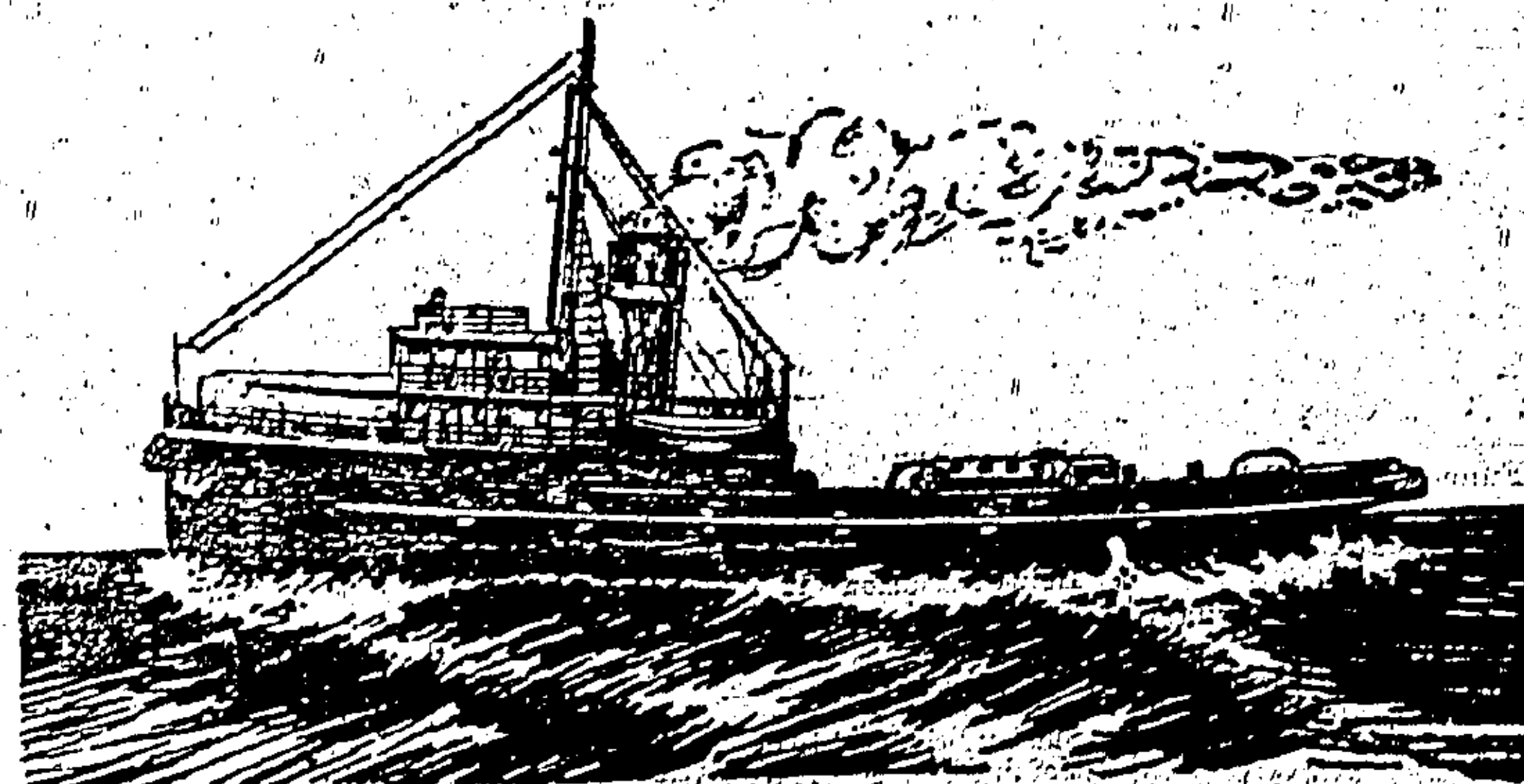
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## WEATHER REPORT.

January 16th at 18.00.—Pressure has decreased slightly over N.E. and central Japan and at Yap. It has increased slightly to moderately elsewhere.

The trade winds have strengthened, and extended southward.

The depression N. of the Bonin Islands and S.W. of Yap have deepened slightly.

Fresh to strong moonsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, Jan. 16, 0.72 inch. Total since January 1st, 1.19 inches, against an average of 0.48 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, Jan. 17th is as follows:—

DISTRICT	FORECAST
Formosa Channel	N. winds, strong.
Hongkong to Gap Bock	N. winds, fresh; over-cast, drizzle or mist.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamooks	do.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan	do.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL  
REGISTER.

Songkro Observatory, January 16th.			
	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Date 6 a.m.	On Date 3 p.m.
Barometer ...	29.81	29.85	29.98
Temperature ...	68	54	54
Humidity ...	78	80	86
Wind Direction...	E	NNW	N
Force ...	2	2	1
Weather ...	c	od	od
Rain ...	0.00	0.00	0.59
Highest open-air Temperature on 15th ...			65
Least open-air Temperature on 16th ...			53

HONGKONG TIDE" TABLE.

From January 17th to 23rd, 1925.									
HIGH WATER.					LOW WATER.				
Days of Week.	Days of Month.	E. long. Standard Time.	Height.		E. long. Standard Time.	Height.			
Satur.	17	h. m.	ft.	in.	h. m.	ft.	in.		
		1 25	5	9	8 30	4	0		
Sun	18	3 25	5	4	9 15	3	3		
		3 59	5	3	10 20	2	0		
Mon.	19	3 59	4	3	10 5	2	0		
		4 51	4	3	11 54	1	0		
Tues.	20	5 37	4	3	10 53	1	0		
		6 57	4	4					
Wed.	21	6 32	4	4	9 59	2	3		
		6 32	4	7	11 44	3	1		
Thur.	22	7 21	4	6	1 52	3	3		
		7 58	4	7	3 30	4	0		
Fri.	23	8 25	4	6	1 27	4	0		

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Epiphany, January 13th, 1925:—  
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Holy Communion—12 noon... [151]  
Evening—6 p.m.

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"TILAWA"	10,000	24th Jan.	Moji & Kobe.
"KASHMIR"	8,963	28th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"TAKIWA"	8,800	3rd Feb.	Kobe.
"MALWA"	10,941	7th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"TANDA"	8,938	7th Feb.	Moji & Kobe.
"KASHGAR"	9,038	21st Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"BOUDAN"	8,886	21st Feb.	do.
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"KARMALA"	9,038	21st Mar.	do.
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"MALWA"	10,941	29th May	do.
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SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"SOOCHOW"	On 18th Jan.	11 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KAIYING"	On 19th Jan.	11 a.m.
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HOIHOW, FAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"TAMING"	On 22nd Jan.	10 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"SZECHUEN"	On 22nd Jan.	11 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"KANCHOW"	On 24th Jan.	Noon.
HAIPHONG	"KANCHOW"	On 24th Jan.	D.L.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KANCHOW"	On 24th Jan.	11 a.m.
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